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Heat relief comes this weekend. Today, another hot and sticky one. High 90. Tonight, some clouds, possible thundershower—67. Tomorrow, partly sunny with lowering humidity. High 84.

— Todd Miner

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Students storm Beaver Stadium after win

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Fans celebrating Penn State's victory over Georgia Tech in Wednesday night's Kickoff Classic stormed Beaver Stadium shortly after the game, tearing down a goal post and injuring eight police officers.

A throng of at least 1,000 people arrived at the stadium by 1:30 a.m. chanting "We are Penn State" and "Let us in." Climbing over barbed-wire fences, about 200 people made it onto the field and tore down the north goal post.

In self-defense police used cans of mace to turn back the surging crowd, said Bill Mahon, director of public information.

Fourteen students were cited and a misdemeanor charge was filed against one student. State College Bureau of Police Services cited a person who was urging the throng on and cited him with failure to disperse, public drunkenness and underage drinking.

When police tried to apprehend the culprits, others rushed in to free them, Mahon said.

Rocks thrown by the crowd injured eight University police officers. One officer was treated for cuts and bruises at Centre Community Hospital and released.

State College police Lt. Carmine Prestia said two State College officers were injured by rocks thrown at them, but stayed on duty.

In addition to the dismantled goal post, damage was done to gates, fences, service buildings and construction equipment, Mahon said.

University police reported \$1,800

damages to three police cars, two from State College Borough and one from state police at Rockview.

The door on one State College police cruiser was dented and the other car's license plate was torn off. Police

apprehended the person who tore it off and cited him with criminal mischief.

The mob began gathering just before 1 a.m. on College and Beaver avenues shouting, "Goal post, goal post!"

State College police cited a group of people at Beaver Avenue and Locust Lane for failure to disperse.

"I followed the crowd 10 minutes after the game ended from South Allen Street," said Paul Pelletier (junior-

political science). "It was just like what happened last year after the Notre Dame game. You could hear the crowd from South Halls."

After Penn State's victory over Notre Dame last season, about 1,200 fans

rushed Beaver Stadium and stole the south goal post. The fans carried the goal post on a four-hour parade across campus to Coach Joe Paterno's house.

As this year's crowd began toward the stadium, University police dispatched seven officers to the stadium. When fans began to assault police, University police called units from State College, Bellefonte, Ferguson, Patton and state police at Rockview. Although this year's mob was able to tear down a goal post, it was never removed from the stadium.

"It is regrettable that a relatively small group of students not representative of the larger group can give us an undeserved reputation," University President Joab Thomas said in a written release. "The behavior exhibited at Beaver Stadium last night can't be tolerated. Those who have been cited by the police will be dealt with as firmly and swiftly as the law allows."

Mahon agreed with Thomas. "I think it is a major disappointment that we have such a classy football team but we have some fans that would do something like this," Mahon said. "What really worries us is that people were throwing rocks, smashing windows, and hurting other people. This concerns us a great deal. I think the students need to start taking responsibility."

Ed Walsh, associate professor of sociology, said an individual's behavior is affected by a crowd.

"People lose responsibility in a crowd," Walsh said. "New things become right and wrong in a crowd. Anybody or anything standing in the way of the crowd is seen as an obstacle that must be dealt with."



Collegian Photo/Jeff Farrar

A group of students carry a section of the north goal post in Beaver Stadium during a celebration after the Nittany Lions defeated Georgia Tech. Over

1,000 students rushed to the stadium Wednesday night. However, only 200 students actually made it inside.

Complaints buffet USG

Women's concerns office breaks away

By KEVIN NAFF
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After next week, the Undergraduate Student Government will no longer have control over the department of women's concerns — the department will now try to become an independent organization.

Leaders from USG and the department met yesterday to finalize the split, which takes effect next Friday. Until then, the department remains part of USG.

Representatives from both sides insisted the meeting went well, despite a recent history of ill will between them. After next week, the department enters a limbo phase and will not be able to function as a group until the USG Supreme Court grants them provisional status.

Reasons for the split vary depending upon who you talk to. According to Erin O'Leary, a

department co-director, current USG President Mark Stewart and other USG executives exercised too much control over the department. Specifically, O'Leary said Stewart mistreated her, invalidated department elections last year and unjustly fired Melissa Hardoby, a former department co-director.

But USG officials described O'Leary and Hardoby as unwilling to compromise and confused as to the nature of their department.

Hardoby and O'Leary were elected last year as department co-directors by department members, but Stewart later invalidated the results, considering them merely a recommendation. Because the department was under the USG umbrella, Stewart claimed the right to appoint its leaders.

Stewart said he later appointed Hardoby and O'Leary anyway, despite reservations stemming from

a "personal issue" between him and Hardoby.

"(Stewart) disregarded the choice of women in our group," O'Leary said. "Ever since the election issue, it has been tense for me."

Stewart fired Hardoby during finals week in May, claiming she was undermining USG. Some have accused USG officials of planning the firing during a period when The Daily Collegian was not publishing, to avoid negative publicity.

Among Stewart's complaints against Hardoby was an alleged insulting recording directed at Stewart on Hardoby's answering machine.

After Hardoby changed the message, Stewart issued her a memo reading, "We are pleased to see that you changed your answering machine message. Please be aware that any future conduct of a similar Please see CONCERNS, Page 10.

Communism loses footing

By DEBORAH SEWARD
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MOSCOW — Soviet lawmakers dealt a potential death blow yesterday to the Communist Party, suspending the crippled and discredited organization and freezing its bank accounts because of the party's leading role in last week's coup.



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Children look at foreign toys Wednesday in a Moscow store display. These toys are only available for hard currency and unobtainable for most Soviets. The recent collapse of communism raises fears of further economic turmoil.

In Kazakhstan, rallies and protests were held amid fears that the Russian Federation, led by an increasingly powerful Boris N. Yeltsin, could try to seize parts of the Central Asian republic's territory where most of the inhabitants are ethnic Russians.

As politicians worried about who controls the many nuclear weapons in Kazakhstan, the republic's president shut down its huge Semipalatinsk testing range. President Mikhail S. Gorbachev sent a delegation to Kazakhstan to keep things from "snowballing."

Ten dizzying days after the announcement of the coup that hastened the demise of the central government, Yeltsin went on the radio to calm the people.

"I want to firmly assure you that the collapse of the center is not the collapse of the country, moreover of Russia," he said on Radio Rossiya.

Yeltsin welcomed the destruction of "that powerful, bureaucratic system which has for six years stood in the path of transformations" during Gorbachev's rule. Capping nearly a week of attacks on the Communist Party for its role in the coup, the Supreme Soviet legislature halted party activity nationwide.

The step — taken near the end of three days of marathon debates — was part of changes that restructured the pillars of Soviet society and raised fears of further economic turmoil, ethnic unrest and political chaos.

Without drama, legislators voted 283-29, with 52 abstentions, to suspend the party that had ruled the nation by fear and intimidation for 74 years, with a presence in every factory, school and city hall. They also froze its bank accounts and halted its financial operations, meaning party operatives cannot be paid.

"I frankly rejoice in ... the demise, the fall of the totalitarian non-democratic party," President Bush said in Maine.

Party archives were sealed, which could hurt party officials seeking jobs elsewhere.

The resolution urged the Soviet prosecutor to turn over evidence of official involvement in the coup to the national Supreme Court, which would then determine whether the party can resume operations.

But it appeared unlikely the party could reassert the control it once had.

Party leaders were deeply involved in the Aug. 18-19 coup. Please see SOVIET, Page 10.

Experiencing foreign lands gives PSU students broader education

By CARMEN LIVINGSTON
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Shortly after she arrived in Sardinia, Italy, Shamita Johnson walked onto a balcony and shed tears of joy. "If I were the pope that day, I would have kissed the ground," Johnson said.

Johnson (senior-international business) went to Italy on an archaeological dig the summer of 1989 before she came to the University. Her experiences, like others students' who study in a foreign country, christened her with a sense of self-confidence that has helped her college life.

"Before I left for Italy, I was so scared of coming to University Park," said Johnson, who spent two years at Mont Alto Campus.

Johnson said going to Italy changed her life. "I grew up in the ghetto surrounded by killings and shootings. I just felt like I would never get out of that hole of negativity."

Many students who study overseas speak of experiences that helped them build invincible spirits — conversing with natives, exploring city streets and rural roads, visiting neighboring countries.

While Johnson said her experience abroad helped her adjust to University life, other Education Abroad participants said the programs made re-adjusting to American life more difficult.

"I learned a lot there but I knew when I returned to Penn State I couldn't be as free and independent," said Jennifer Jackson (senior-international politics and French).

Jackson, who spent a year at the University of Strasbourg in France, said the curriculum there was much less textbook-oriented and the professors cared more about the learning experience.

She said receiving a 10 on a numerical grading scale of one to 20 was seen as an achievement by other French students and professors.

"Here (the United States) you have to do better than just pass. You have to do everything your best. I can't really get into that right now," Jackson said.

Cas Sowa, an Education Abroad counselor, said culture shock upon returning to the United States depends on the individual.

"Sometimes students really immerse themselves into the culture," Sowa said, adding, "The more that you accept the culture, the harder it is to adjust when re-entering the United States."

Despite her difficulties with readjusting, Jackson said that overall, her studies abroad helped her develop a sense of pride in herself.

"Personally, I feel more confident about myself," Jackson said, "I don't feel that I have to live up to other people's standards."

Unfortunately, Jackson said, the level of self-esteem

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Landlords oppose occupation limit

By ANTHONY J. DeGOL
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State College officials are under fire from landlords opposed to a possible occupancy limit reduction in certain converted houses.

Members of the State College Borough Planning Commission last week agreed to propose reducing the number of unrelated people living in one- and two-family homes from three to two.

The reduction, commission members said, would taper the number of students in borough neighborhoods, resulting in a balance between students and families.

But some landlords said the proposed

"We're not looking to squeeze anybody out."

— Christina Rambeau
Commission Member

limit is another attempt by borough officials to drive students out of the neighborhoods.

"They want to crowd all of these young people into downtown high-rises," said Brian Kaleita, president of the Centre Region Residential Association.

Reducing the limit would be a slap against students who want to live in

a neighborhood setting rather than apartments or dorms, Kaleita said.

Bellefonte resident Fred Gay, who owns six rental properties in State College, agreed, saying balanced neighborhoods in town might be an unrealistic goal.

"Maybe the desire is to have it better than possible," Gay said, noting that officials and civic leaders should be grateful for the economic boost students give the borough rather than trying to push them out of the neighborhoods.

But commission member Christina Rambeau said students are not the victims.

"We're not looking to squeeze Please see HOUSING, Page 10.